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## FCC Announces Details for Localism Hearing in Portland, Maine on June 28

*Washington, DC* – The Federal Communications Commission today announced details of its previously announced Portland, Maine localism hearing *(see press release dated June 8, 2007).* 

The hearing date, time, and location are as follows:

Date: Thursday, June 28, 2007

Time: 4pm-11pm

**Location:** Portland High School

284 Cumberland Avenue Portland, ME 04101

Link to Portland High School:

http://portland.portlandschools.org

Link to Portland High School Directions:

http://portland.portlandschools.org/main/homeroom.htm

The purpose of the hearing is to gather information from consumers, industry, civic organizations, and others on broadcasters' service to their local communities. Along with competition and diversity, promoting localism is a key goal of the Commission's media ownership rules.

The hearing format will enable members of the public to participate via an "open microphone" session. Further details will be released as they become available.

Open captioning and sign language interpreters will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Please include a description of the accommodation you will need and as much detail as possible. Also, please include your contact information. Make your request as early as possible. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may not be possible to fill. Send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

A live audio cast of the hearing will be available at the FCC's website at <a href="www.fcc.gov">www.fcc.gov</a> on a first-come, first-served basis. In addition, the hearing will be recorded, and the recording will be made available to the public. The public may also file comments or other documents with the Commission and should reference MB 04-233. Filing instructions are provided at <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/localism/filinginstructions.doc">http://www.fcc.gov/localism/filinginstructions.doc</a>.

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